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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING
Scott W Skavdahl, United States District Judge
Case No. 1:21-CR-77-SWS

Kim Blonigen, Deputy Clerk
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January 25, 2023
Casper, WY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Stephanie Sprecher, USA
Christyne Martens, USA
Janee Woodson, Paralegal
Keri Patrick, CPD Detective

Plaintiff,

vs.

SALVADOR SALAS, JR.,

Mark Hardee, CJA Counsel
Christina Sell, Paralegal

Defendant.

Jury Trial Day III

8:50 a.m. Court in session.

8:50 a.m. Jury members returned to the Courtroom.

8:51 a.m. Karri Reliford called and sworn.

8:52 a.m. Direct examination of Karri Reliford by Ms. Martens.

9:00 a.m. Cross-examination of Karri Reliford by Mr. Hardee.

9:03 a.m. Yvette Romo called and sworn.

9:03 a.m. Direct examination of Yvette Romo by Ms. Martens.
Exhibit 203 identified and admitted.

9:13 a.m. Cross-examination of Yvette Romo by Mr. Hardee.

9:17 a.m. Trinity Johnson called and sworn.

9:18 a.m. Direct examination of Trinity Johnson by Ms. Martens.
Exhibit 202 identified and admitted.

9:28 a.m. Christina Buettner called and sworn.

9:28 a.m. Direct examination of Christina Buettner by Ms. Martens.
Exhibit 125, 128, 132, 111, 113, 114, 116, 117 displayed.

9:58 a.m. Cross-examination of Christina Buettner by Mr. Hardee.

10:19 a.m. Voir dire of Christina Buettner by the Court.

10:20 a.m. Redirect of Christina Buettner by Ms. Martens.
Exhibit 111 displayed.

10:28 a.m. Amber Gurley called and sworn.

10:28 a.m. Direct examination of Amber Gurley by Ms. Martens.
Exhibit 130 displayed.

10:42 a.m. Jury members exited the courtroom.

10:42 a.m. Court in session outside the presence of the jury; Court addressed the parties regarding the Government's final witness and the display of evidence.

11:04 a.m. Court in recess.

11:17 a.m. Court in session.

11:17 a.m. Jury members returned to the Courtroom.

11:18 a.m. Caleb Forness called and sworn.

11:19 a.m. Direct examination of Caleb Forness by Ms. Martens.

Exhibits 401-410, 500-576, 413, 415, 500A, 600A.1-600A.42, 600B1-600B.14, 600C.1-600C.88, 600A.43-600A.45, 601, 602, 602.1, 603, 604, 605.1-605.118 identified and admitted.

- 1:21 p.m. Jury members exited the courtroom.
- 1:23 p.m. Court in recess.
- 1:32 p.m. Court in session.
- 1:32 p.m. Jury members returned to the Courtroom.
- 1:33 p.m. Continued direct examination of Caleb Forness by Ms. Martens.
- 1:40 p.m. Cross-examination of Caleb Forness by Mr. Hardee.
- 1:51 p.m. Government rests.
- 1:52 p.m. Jurors given recess instruction and released for lunch, advised to return at 4:00 p.m.
- 3:09 p.m. Court in session.
- 3:09 p.m. Jury instruction conference held.
- 3:26 p.m. Mr. Hardee makes a motion for judgment of acquittal. The Court ruled on the motion.
- 3:31 p.m. The Court advised the defendant of his right to testify.
- 3:35 p.m. Mr. Hardee makes a record of continued objections to certain orders and rulings for purposes of appeal.
- 3:44 p.m. Court in recess.
- 4:04 p.m. Court in session.
- 4:05 p.m. Jury members returned to the Courtroom.
- 4:06 p.m. Evidence closed.
- 4:07 p.m. Jury instructions read to jury.

4:43 p.m. Closing Argument of United States by Ms. Martens.

4:59 p.m. Closing Argument of Defendant by Mr. Hardee.

5:07 p.m. Rebuttal of Government by Ms. Martens.

5:13 p.m. Juror numbers 30 and 31 thanked for their service and excused.

5:14 p.m. Bailiff called forward and sworn.

5:17 p.m. Jurors retired to the jury room to begin deliberations. (Courtroom Deputy collected cellular phones, showed Jurors the JERS system and left Jurors to their deliberations).

5:18 p.m. Court in recess.

5:20 p.m. Court in session.

5:20 p.m. The Court directed that a meal be ordered for the jury.

5:20 p.m. Court is in recess to await a verdict from the jury.

7:15 p.m. Court is in session. Jury members returned to the courtroom.

7:18 p.m. The verdict was received and read by the Court. The Court gave the jury final instruction.

7:21 p.m. Jury members excused and exited the courtroom.

7:22 p.m. Court is adjourned.

Daily witnesses:

Karri Reliford
Yvette Romo
Trinity Johnson
Christina Buettner
Amber Gurleys
Caleb Forness